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MAXHUETTE LEADS IN IRON, STEEL PRODUCTION

HAS 136-PERCENT FULFILLMENT OF QUOTA -- Thuringische Landeszeitung No 1,  
3 Jan 50

With a 136-percent fulfillment of its production quota, the Maxhuetten Steel Plant won first place in East Germany's competition among raw iron, raw steel, and ferroalloy plants.

The Electrical Plant in Lippendorf achieved 133 percent of its monthly target in December; the Maxhütte Blast Furnace Works was next in line, with 127 percent; fourth and fifth place were taken by the Siemens-Martin steel plants in Riesa and Henningsdorf, respectively; and the Groeditz plant was last.

The following production percentages, based on the output for the entire year, were achieved jointly by the steel and rolling mills in the German Democratic Republic during the last quarter of 1949: pig iron 31 percent, raw steel 31 percent, section iron 37 percent, and sheet metal 40 percent.

The pig iron, raw steel, and ferroalloy plants succeeded in increasing production by 27 percent compared with the third quarter. The sheet-metal rolling mills achieved an increase of 56 percent and the foundries an increase of 17 percent.

INCREASES BALL-BEARING PRODUCTION -- Taegliche Rundschau, No 37, 12 Feb 50

In January the people-owned Norddeutsche Kugellagerfabrik (North-German Ball-Bearing Plant) in Lichtenberg doubled its 1949 average monthly production. Personnel has been increased 100 percent since April 1949.

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SCRAP METAL SALVAGED -- Der Morgen, No 8, 10 Jan 50

In the East Sector of Berlin 1,477,800 cubic meters of debris were removed from an area of 1,213,000 tagewerke /a land measure/ in 1949 and 23,189 tons of scrap metal were salvaged. In addition, 23,436 tons of reclaimed iron worth 135 Deutsche marks per ton were obtained.

RAISE PRODUCTION QUOTA -- Taegliche Rundschau, No 49, 26 Feb 50

The people-owned Machine-Building Plant in Magdeburg, which until recently was engaged chiefly in repair work and in the manufacture of small compressors, has expanded its program to include construction of ice-cream and cold-storage plants. The factory's production quota for 1950 is 200 percent higher than in 1949. To fulfill this quota, the number of workers employed must be almost doubled.

METAL WORKS TOPS PREWAR OUTPUT -- Taegliche Rundschau, No 53, 3 Mar 50

In February 1950 the nonferrous metal works in Hettstedt exceeded its prewar production by 120 percent. Compared with 1945, the increase amounts to approximately 350 percent. A 15-percent production increase was achieved from December 1949 to February 1950.

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